

**WITNESS STATEMENT**  
(AR 195-10 - TB PMG 3)

PLACE <b>Fort Bragg, N. C.</b>	DATE <b>25 Feb 70</b>	TIME <b>1050</b>	FILE NUMBER
LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME <b>SCHIEL, Kenneth (NMN)</b>	SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NO.		GRADE <b>Cpl (E-4)</b>
ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS <b>Hq Hq Company, 1st Bn, 504th Infantry, 82d Abn Division, Fort Bragg, N. C.</b>			

**SWORN STATEMENT**

**Kenneth SCHIEL** WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT UNDER OATH:

In addition to the statement made by me on 3 November 1969, I would like to make the following statement to clarify the pre-mission briefing given by Cpt MEDINA the evening prior to the mission at My Lai (4), RVN.

Shortly after the evening meal on 15 March 1968, a company formation was held at LZ Dettie by Cpt MEDINA and the company was briefed by Cpt MEDINA regarding the Combat Assault to be held the next morning. MEDINA stated that we were going into 'Pinkville' and he went over the operation order. In his briefing he said that we had been there many times before and had suffered losses every time we had been there, but that this time we were going to kill every thing that breathed - men, women and children. MEDINA advised the company that prior to this operation, the village had been warned of the combat assault at My Lai (4) and that all persons that were not VC would have moved out of the village. He also stated that leaflets had been dropped over the village and that any persons remaining in the village would be VC or VC sympathizers. During the briefing by Cpt MEDINA the question about women and children was brought out by someone in the unit and Cpt MEDINA again stated that we were going to kill everything including men, women and children and also animals. I do not recall who it was that actually asked the question, but I do recall the question being asked.

Q: To the best of your knowledge, was the whole company present?

A: Yes. Everyone that could possibly be there was present.

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I, KENNETH SCHIEL, of ADJUTANT GENERAL, U.S. ARMY, Fort Bragg, N. C., do hereby declare that I have read or have had read to me this statement which begins on page 1 and ends on page 1. I fully understand the contents of the entire statement made by me. The statement is true. I have initialed all corrections and have initialed the bottom of each page containing the statement. I have made this statement freely without hope of benefit or reward, without threat of punishment, and without coercion, unlawful influence, or unlawful inducement.

## WITNESSES:

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a person authorized by law to administer oaths, this 25 day of February, 1970, at Fort Bragg, N. C.

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INITIALS OF PERSON MAKING STATEMENT

(Signature of Person Making Statement)

(Signature of Person Administering Oath)

ROBERT B. GRAHAM

(Typed Name of Person Administering Oath)

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